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JUDGE SAYS MRS. DAN HANNA IS A BIGAMIST

So Justice Jeune, of England, Decides in an Action for Divorce Brought Against Her in London by Major Maud, Her Former Husband.

Mrs. Maud Got a Decree Against Him in This Country, Which the English Courts Now Pronounce Invalid, While He Was Fighting in South Africa.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A divorce was granted to-day to Major Walter de Saumarez Maud on the ground that the marriage of his wife to Daniel R. Hanna, of Cleveland, O., was bigamous. Mrs. Maud obtained a divorce from her husband in America while he was fighting in South Africa, and married Mr. Hanna. Justice Jeune, in the Divorce Division of the High Court of Justice, holds that the divorce was invalid. Major Maud was married in New York on April 19, 1897.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 18.—Dan R. Hanna when shown the cablegram from London said:

"I have already been told about this. It is a matter of English law. I am told, which I do not understand. See Attorney S. H. Holding. He will tell you all about it."

Attorney Holding issued the following statement:

"On Jan. 3, 1900, Mrs. Maud secured a divorce at Akron, O. Mr. Maud was represented by me, but did not appear or make any opposition. Mr. Maud was then in the United States, but went to the Transvaal and fought with distinction and became a Major. Maj. Maud is a British subject. The English courts do not recognize American divorces, hence the divorce granted in this country did not annul the dower rights of Mrs. Maud, and for the purpose of enabling himself to deal with his own property with perfect freedom Maj. Maud instituted the proceedings in London, setting up as grounds for divorce the American divorce and remarriage to Mr. Hanna. This is the whole matter."

The marriage of Dan Hanna, son and business associate of Senator Hanna, and Daisy Gordon Maud, which is now declared bigamous by the English divorce court, took place in Cleveland on Feb. 19, 1900. There was a child born of the marriage in December, 1901—a girl.

Daisy Gordon Maud Hanna is the second wife of the Senator's son. His first wife, who was May Harrington when he married her, is now the wife of Edmund K. Stallo, a lawyer of this city. They live at No. 667 Madison avenue. The matrimonial episodes in the lives of Mr. Hanna and his wives have filled a great deal of newspaper space in the last seven years.

Dan Hanna's first marriage was the result of an elopement. He had just started in business with his father, May Harrington, the daughter of a Cleveland coal dealer, happened to be one of a boating party at Escanaba, Mich., in August, 1887. Dan Hanna was also one of the party. The young people had known each other from childhood. They went away for a stroll and in the course of the stroll stopped at a church, where they were married.

Nothing was said of the marriage for several months, and when the secret was revealed Senator Hanna set his son up in a handsome house in Cleveland. Three children were born to the Hannas, all boys, and one of them was named after his distinguished grandfather.

DISCORD INVADERS THE HOME.

Happiness reigned in the Hanna home for nearly ten years, and then came discord all at once. Both young people were given to displays of temper, and they were not particular as to where the displays were made. Their arguments in public places became the talk of Cleveland society.

One of Mrs. Hanna's dearest girlhood friends was Daisy Gordon, daughter of one of the foremost citizens of Cleveland, who gave to the city a beautiful tract of land known as Gordon Park. Daisy Gordon met Walter de S. Maud, a handsome Englishman, while travelling in the West. They were married in this city in April, 1897, but lived together only a short time, Mrs. Maud returning to Cleveland.

The arrival in Cleveland of Mrs. Maud was coincident with the arrival of trouble in the Dan Hanna household. Late in 1897 Mr. Hanna left his home and soon after his wife brought suit for divorce, alleging neglect and cruel treatment.

She secured her decree, by the terms of which the Euclid avenue mansion, which had been built for her husband by Senator Hanna, was turned over to her. She also secured custody of the three children and Mr. Hanna agreed to pay for their education.

HUSBAND AT THE FRONT.

When the South African war broke out Mrs. Maud's husband went to the front. She had not seen him since a short time after their marriage, and determined to get a divorce. In order to do so, she took up a residence in Akron, O., where the decree was granted. When the news came out that she was divorced it was said in Cleveland that she would marry Dan Hanna, and within two months she did.

Word of the approaching marriage reached Mrs. Hanna No. 1 and she immediately started for Europe with her three boys. She was on the ocean when the wedding took place and remained in Europe the entire summer. When she returned to Cleveland she presented her former husband with a bill amounting to nearly \$9,000 for expenses, as she put it, in giving the children an education.

He would not pay the bill and she sued him. The case dragged along in the courts, engendering bitterness, until Mr. Hanna determined to take his children from the custody of his first wife.

He went to court in Cleveland and got an order appointing his father guardian of the children and compelling Mrs. Hanna No. 1 to give them up. The proceedings were conducted in secret, but Mrs. Hanna knew of them and laid plans to keep the boys.

It happened that Baroness de Palland, an old friend of her family, was visiting her. The two women made hurried preparations for a quick escape from Cleveland. When deputy sheriffs got to Mrs. Hanna's house

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SUITOR STRUCK MURDERED GIRL

Eckstein Testifies to Beating Mabel Bechtel Because She Received the Attention of a Well-Known Man of Allentown.

BUGGY WHIP BLOW ACCIDENT, HE ADDS.

Witness Declares Under Oath that He Had Given Young Woman Two Rings, Neither of Which She Wore When Killed.

(Special to The Evening World.) ALLENTOWN, Jan. 18.—Mrs. Bechtel's trial was resumed to-day with Eckstein, Mabel's former suitor, on the stand. The prosecution asked him if he had given Mabel an engagement ring. He replied that he had given her not only an engagement ring but another one. When she was killed she wore neither, but had on one that Welsenberg had given her. He testified also that he spent the night of Oct. 17 at the Bechtel home.

Attorney Schandt, for the defense, then took Eckstein in hand. Q. Did you ever strike Mabel? A. Yes. Q. What for? A. Well, Mabel was out with a well-known man in this town and when I scolded her she told me her mother had said she should go with that man.

Q. Didn't you ever hit her with a driving whip? A. That was accidental.

Q. Didn't you once hit her after attending services in church? A. I merely slapped her that time.

Q. What for? A. She said — you to me because I wanted to go home and refuse to go up town with her.

Says Mabel Loved Him.

Q. Isn't it true that Mabel didn't like you very much, but her mother wanted her to marry you so she would become settled in life? A. Well, it didn't look so. She was very affectionate to me.

Q. Why, then, did she go with Welsenberg? A. She said she didn't want to go with Welsenberg, but was afraid of him.

Q. You came to the Bechtel home Monday night to get a final answer, didn't you? A. Yes, sir.

Q. That answer was to be about the wedding day? A. Yes, sir.

Q. And you called at the house Monday night? A. I did.

Q. You asked for Mabel? A. No; I said to Mrs. Bechtel: "It's no use asking for Mabel; I saw her on a trolley car."

Q. And what did Mrs. Bechtel say? A. She said: "You're wrong; Mabel is out driving."

Q. On Sunday night what time did you get home? A. About 8 o'clock.

Q. Did you stay home? A. No; I went out again," and Eckstein mentioned the names of half a dozen places he visited between 8 and 10 o'clock that night.

Eckstein's cross-examination lasted an hour and was the most severe to which any witness was subjected. Although it revealed many things not to his credit nor Mabel Bechtel's, his statements made in direct examination remained unshaken.

She Saw No Buggy.

Hilda Dreisbach, who lived two doors from the Bechtel house, said she got home soon after midnight Tuesday, Oct. 27, a gentleman escorting her. She went to bed about 1 o'clock. She heard no noise whatever, nor any sound of a carriage, and saw no carriage, although she heard the dogs bark.

The prosecution made rapid progress, and by 11 o'clock began on the blood question, the testimony about which will show whether or not Mabel Bechtel's blood was spilled on the second floor of her mother's home. The defense contends there is no blood on the articles in question, and if there be blood it is that of a dog. The first blood expert called by the prosecution was Dr. John Lear, Professor of biology at Muhlenberg College.

The District Attorney offered in evidence the blood-stained articles. The defense objected to the offer. Judge Treaxler said the Court was of the opinion that the articles had been sufficiently identified to admit them as evidence. As to whether they are stained with human blood, that is what the experts are called for.

The defense had hoped to have all testimony on the blood question rejected.

Says They Were Blood-Stained.

The District Attorney questioned Dr.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Tuesday for New York City and vicinity: Fair and continued cold to-night; Tuesday partly cloudy, with slight rising temperature after 8 A. M.; fresh northerly winds becoming northeast on Tuesday.

Father John's Medicine cures colds, whooping cough and croup. Guaranteed.

SPECIAL EXTRA. WHOLE BLOCK BURNED; MANY ARE HOMELESS

The entire block between Florence and Charles streets and Central avenue, Jersey City was practically destroyed to-night by a fire which started in a row of unfinished four-story brick buildings which were being erected. The blaze started from fires used to dry the plastering. It extended to the three-story frame dwellings on the opposite side of the avenue. Many families were made homeless. At 6.30 o'clock there were no deaths reported. The property loss will be several hundreds of thousands of dollars.

LATE WINNERS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fourth Race—Footlight Favorite 1, Foresight 2, Ralph Young Fifth Race—Balkmore 1, Free Admission 2, Felix Bard 3. Sixth Race—Bessie McCarthy 1, Burke Cochran, 2, Sarilla 3

WARDEN FLYNN WHO TOOK CHARGE OF THE TOMBS TO-DAY



"Billy" Flynn succeeded Warden Van De Carr to-day as Warden of the Tombs Prison. Van De Carr stepped down and out quite peacefully, handing over the keys of the prison to the new appointee after a short deadlock, during which each claimed to be Warden. They said things to each other that were not nice.

When Flynn arrived he found Van De Carr in his seat. The latter at first announced his intention to remain Warden until the courts should pass judgment upon his tenure. Subsequently he changed his mind.

Huge bouquets of roses and lilies were sent by friends to greet Flynn.

CALL FOR MORE MARINES TO PROTECT AMERICANS

United States Minister Allen, in Corea, Fearing Attack at Seoul, Asks Washington for a Stronger Guard.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Minister Allen, at Seoul, Corea, has made a request of the State Department that the legation guard be increased. The request has been referred to the Navy Department, which is considering means of sending more marines from Cavite to Chemulpo. It will require about a week to reinforce the present guard.

PORT ARTHUR, Jan. 18.—The Japanese banks are rapidly closing up their accounts in Manchuria and are stopping business. Japan is seeking agents in Manchuria and Corea to supply the Government with information of the Russian movements, in view of the hurried departure of the Japanese residents.

The Russian occupation of Sin Min Tun, thirty miles west of Mukden, is now reported to be an accomplished fact.

COLOGNE, Jan. 18.—The Japanese Minister to Russia was received in special audience by the Czar at Tsarko-Selo to-day, according to a despatch to the Cologne Gazette from St. Petersburg. Great significance, it is added, is attached to the incident as pointing to a possible early settlement of the Far Eastern dispute.

NIECE OF TRUAX FATALLY BURNED

Mrs. Sarah Bassford, Relative of the Supreme Court Justice, Dies of Injuries Received in Saving Her Baby.

SHE DROPPED THE LITTLE ONE OUT OF A WINDOW.

Threw a Blanket Over a Servant and Then She Ran to the Street with All of Her Clothing on Fire.

of Supreme Court Justice Charles H. Truax, was fatally burned in her home at White Plains to-day, while trying to extinguish flames, which enveloped her servant and threatened the life of her sixteen-months-old baby. Justice Truax, presiding in the hearing of the Grinnell-Weston suit in the Supreme Court in this city, got the news by telegram, while he was on the bench and was visibly affected.

He immediately adjourned court and left for White Plains, but before he reached there he learned she was dead. Mrs. Bassford was the wife of Henry Bassford and was well known in White Plains society. Her mother, Mrs. McBride, of No. 21 East Forty-sixth street, this city, is a sister of Justice Truax. Mrs. Bassford is only twenty-two years old.

The Bassfords occupy a big house at Hartsdale. Mr. Bassford, whose father is Col. Abram Bassford, an aged veteran of the civil war, is in business in New York. Early to-day the servant girl while drying clothes in the kitchen accidentally had her dress ignited, and in a moment her clothing was enveloped in flames.

Mrs. Bassford heard her screams and ran into the kitchen, where she found her baby dangerously close to the flames. She threw the child out of the window into a snowbank and then she threw a blanket over the servant, extinguishing the flames, which, however, had communicated to her own dress.

Wildly screaming, she ran out of the house, and a man threw her in a snowbank and in this manner put out the blaze, which had burned almost all her clothing. Mrs. Bassford and the servant girl were taken to the White Plains Hospital and attended by Drs. Kelly and Curtis.

Dr. Kelly found that Mrs. Bassford's hair had been completely burned off, while her body was a mass of blisters. She will die, while the servant will probably live.

FAVORITES LOSE AT NEW ORLEANS

Floral King Wins the Opening Event, the Second Goes to Frontenac and the Third to Louisville.

THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Floral King (11 to 5) 1, Mad Mullah (9 to 5) 2, Dusky 3.

SECOND RACE—Frontenac (9 to 1) 1, Peepers (2 to 1) 2, Russell Garth 3.

THIRD RACE—Louisville (5 to 1) 1, Meistersinger (6 to 1) 2, Bernota 3.

(Special to The Evening World.)

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 18.—Dave Gideon and "Phibburg Phil" arrived from New York this morning and were at the track this afternoon. Phil is on his way to Hot Springs. Joe Gilbert, a well-known layer, also arrived from New York.

W. E. Phillips, Fred Cook's trainer, got in from Louisville this morning with Jockey Dave Nicol, a promising Western apprentice rider. Nicol rode some real clever races at Latonia last fall. He will probably do all of Cook's light weight riding next season. Cook owns the best stable in the West. The track was fair to-day.

FIRST RACE. Six furlongs, purse \$400; entrance \$10; for three-year-olds. Start—12.4.8.

| Starter | White | Locks | St. H. P. | Win. | Place | Time |
|--|-------|--------|-----------|------|-------|------|
| Floral King | 10 | Robbie | 2 | 1 | 12 | 2:10 |
| Mad Mullah | 10 | Hibern | 8 | 2 | 8 | 2:10 |
| Dusky | 10 | Bole | 5 | 4 | 4 | 2:10 |
| J. P. Mayberry | 110 | Philos | 5 | 4 | 4 | 2:10 |
| Pierce | 100 | Pier | 1 | 4 | 1 | 2:10 |
| Tom Kelly | 107 | Minder | 6 | 5 | 5 | 2:10 |
| Carraha | 100 | Sticks | 7 | 8 | 7 | 2:10 |
| Regatta | 107 | Sticks | 7 | 8 | 7 | 2:10 |
| Start good. Won easily. Place driving. | | | | | | |

SECOND RACE. Six and a half furlongs. Starters, white, locks, St. H. P. Win. Place. Time. 12.4.8.

| Starter | White | Locks | St. H. P. | Win. | Place | Time |
|------------------------------------|-------|--------|-----------|------|-------|------|
| Frontenac | 10 | Robbie | 2 | 1 | 12 | 2:10 |
| Peepers | 107 | Gannon | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2:10 |
| Russell Garth | 110 | Philos | 5 | 4 | 4 | 2:10 |
| John 100 | Bole | 5 | 4 | 4 | 2:10 | |
| Carraha | 107 | Dart | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2:10 |
| Victory | 112 | Hodson | 9 | 8 | 8 | 2:10 |
| Christiana | 105 | Auburn | 9 | 7 | 7 | 2:10 |
| Son. Vivox | 112 | Coch | 9 | 8 | 8 | 2:10 |
| Star of the Sea | 112 | Fr | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2:10 |
| Strider | 110 | Hel | 9 | 10 | 10 | 2:10 |
| Start fair. Won easily. Time—2:30. | | | | | | |

Those who Cough at Night may secure rest by taking Pile's Cure. All druggists. See our list.

ANSONIA GUESTS ROBBED OF GEMS WORTH \$15,000

Door of the Apartments of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hochster Broken Open with a Jimmy While They Were in the Dining-Room of the Great Uptown Hostelry.

ROOMS OCCUPIED BY VICTIMS ALMOST WRECKED BY BURGLAR

Detectives Are Trying to Learn How the Thief Eluded the Hotel Employees, Reached the Thirteenth Floor and Located the Rooms Occupied by the Hochsters.

LIST OF THE JEWELS STOLEN FROM HOTEL ANSONIA GUESTS.

Following is a list of the diamonds and jewels stolen from Mrs. Hochster at the Hotel Ansonia:

- One diamond heart.
- Nine gold chains.
- Two diamond clasps.
- One pair carbon earrings, set with diamonds.
- One gold watch.
- One gold purse.
- One diamond brooch.
- One gold knife.
- One large pearl chain.
- One set of sleeve buttons, set with rubies and diamonds.
- Ten gold bracelets.

Diamonds and jewelry worth many thousands of dollars have been stolen from the apartments of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hochster, in the Ansonia Hotel, 2109 Broadway, and to-day the greater part of the detective force of New York was engaged in trying to run down the thieves and recover some of the stolen property.

The robbery is one of the most mysterious of its kind that has occurred in years. Mr. and Mrs. Hochster occupy apartments at No. 18, on the thirteenth floor of the hotel. Last evening at 7 o'clock they went to dinner, locking the door securely after them. There were several hall boys and hotel attendants on the thirteenth floor at the time and the hotel detectives were going all through the house.

From 7 until 10 o'clock the Hochsters were in the dining-room with friends who had spent the afternoon with them. On returning to their apartments it was found that the door had been forced open with a jimmy or some sharp instrument. On the inside everything was in confusion. Mrs. Hochster found her jewel case rifled.

Further investigation showed that the thief had not overlooked one thing of value in the room in the way of diamonds and jewelry. Every drawer had been rifled and its contents turned upon the floor. Disorder was everywhere. It was evident that the thief had worked with great haste.

POLICE CALLED IN AT ONCE.

Upon discovering the robbery Mr. Hochster notified Manager Webb, of the hotel. He called the hotel detectives to him, and then the robbery was reported to the West Sixty-eighth street police station.

When it became known that the missing jewelry represented between \$10,000 to \$15,000 in value, four detectives from the Central Office were assigned to the case by Inspector McClusky.

How the thief got to the room up the thirteen floors and then worked at the locked door with the jimmy is one of the mysterious parts of the robbery. Close questioning of all of the men running the elevators failed to show that there were any strangers on any of the upper floors at the time the robbery occurred.

The hotel attendants were on the thirteenth floor continually, so it is asserted, during the hours the Hochsters were at dinner, and the detectives cannot understand how the thief could have worked at the locked door without being observed.

ELUDED THE HOTEL EMPLOYEES.

It is the opinion of the detectives that the thief entered the hotel through the front door and walked up the stairs to the thirteenth floor without attracting attention. He then, so it is believed, worked with his tools so deftly that the door gave way without delay and he entered the apartments.

The theory of the police is that the jewels and diamonds were stolen by some one who knew the Hochsters and was familiar with the time they dined.

Every effort was made by the police to keep the robbery secret. The detectives were told not to talk and the hotel attendants had positive instructions against giving information.

Mr. Hochster is said to be a man of large means. He is in business at No. 485 Broadway. He was so concerned about the loss of his property that he did not go to his office.

"I have no idea what the intrinsic value of the diamonds and jewelry is," said Mrs. Hochster, "but to us the things that were stolen were invaluable. The robbery was most mysterious. When we came in our apartments looked like a cyclone had gone through them. They were simply wrecked. We haven't the slightest clue to the thief. I only wish I had."